

November 29, 2018

Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

> Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90, ETC Annual Reports and Re:

Certifications, WC Docket No. 14-58; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers, WC Docket No. 07-135; Developing a Unified Intercarrier

Compensation Regime, CC Docket No. 01-92

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 29, 2018, B. Lynn Follansbee, USTelecom, met with Arielle Roth, Legal Advisor to Commissioner O'Reilly and Kagan Despain, intern to Commissioner O'Reilly to discuss the abovereferenced proceedings.

During the meeting, Ms. Follansbee discussed various aspects of the draft Rate-of-Return USF Order and Further Notice and how as drafted it compares with the proposals in a letter recently submitted by the associations. See Ex Parte Letter from Michael R. Romano, Sr. Vice President, NTCA, et al., to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, WC Docket No. 10-90, et al. (filed Oct. 1, 2018). Specifically, USTelecom addressed the potential impacts of a second ACAM offer and the lack of a challenge process in determining overlap.

Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

USTELECOM

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